

BRUAR LODGE

Has been awarded a Gold grading in the GREEN TOURISM BUSINESS SCHEME

Our commitment to Environmental and Social Policies is as follows:-

Bruar Lodge is a self catering Lodge on Atholl Estates accommodating comfortably up to 18 guests. It is nestled in its own tranquil Glen in Highland Perthshire surrounded by some of the most spectacular scenery and wildlife Scotland has to offer. Bruar Lodge dates from 1759 with additions made in 1835 and 1887 resulting in a magnificent Historic Lodge with all the challenges a building of this age presents. We are wholly committed to providing accommodation and services in the most environmentally sustainable way possible minimizing the impact on this precious landscape whilst at the same time maximizing visitor access and appreciation of it.

The Estate has implemented a simple but realistic program of measures to minimize waste, safeguard the environment and raise awareness of green issues amongst visitors, staff and suppliers. Measures taken to achieve this aim include:-

1. Facilities and promotion of recycling provided to visitors for glass, tin, paper, cardboard and plastic.
2. Thermostats on radiators and an efficient boiler system serviced regularly.
3. Loft insulation, pipe lagging, window shutters and draught proofing to reduce energy usage.
4. Water conservation measures in place including use of Hippos and installation of shower.
5. Low energy light bulbs used throughout.
6. Environmentally friendly and natural cleaning products used as well as recycled paper and plastics wherever possible.
7. Estate timber from sustainable resources used on open fires in sitting rooms.
8. Promotion of Organic and locally produced meat reared on the Estate available to guests.
9. Fair Trade Label products used in welcome packs.

10. We raise awareness, encourage participation in green events and train employees in sustainable business practices.
11. Careful maintenance and monitoring of habitat and wildlife including close collaboration with local Raptor group.
12. Encouraging interest in local wildlife and the countryside through an established network of way-marked trails, Ranger led activities, publications and special events.
13. Ongoing project of propagation and planting of native species of trees and wildflowers. Provision of bird feeders, bird boxes and development of insect friendly habitats.
14. Promotion of services and products which are in keeping with our environment e.g. Land Rover Wildlife Tours, Pony Trekking and Lodge drop off availability to guests.
15. Compliance with all relevant environmental legislation, codes of practice and measures taken to minimize risk of pollution to local environment.
16. We have joined the Green Tourism Business Scheme as an indicator of our sustainable practice and are committed to ongoing improvement.